

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct a typographical error in the equation on page 9, line 18. The subscript “i” should not have been used at the summation sigma.

Dependent claim 6 has been canceled.

No new matter has been added. The scope of the claims has not been broadened.

Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the above amendments be entered.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George E. Kirvan, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

GEORGE E. KIRVAN, JR.
PATENT AGENT FOR APPLICANTS
Registration No.: 36,187
Telephone: (302) 792-4268
Facsimile: (302) 792-4270

Dated: March 29, 2004